**Loan vis-a-vis production in agriculture sector**

†1954. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether loan amount given to agriculture sector during the last years is constantly being increased;

(b) if so, the percentage of increase in such loan amount provided to agriculture sector during each year of the last three years;

(c) whether there has been no increase in agricultural production during consecutive years despite making or increasing in availability of loan; and

(d) if so, the percentage of increase in agricultural production recorded during each year, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Details of agriculture credit flow during last three years is as under:—

(Rs. in Crore)

| Year | Ground Level Credit | Growth Rate (%) |
|---|---|---|
| 2003-04 | 86,981 | 25 |
| 2004-05 | 125,309 | 44 |
| 2005-06 | 180,486 | 44 |

(c) and (d) The required details with regard to major areas of agricultural production are given below as statement.

***Statement***

*Major areas of agricultural production*

| Major areas of agricultural production | 2003-2004 | | 2004-2005 | | 2005-2006 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total Production | Annual increase/ decrease in % | Total Production | Annual increase/ decrease in % | Total Producton | Annual increase/ decrease in % |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Foodgrains* | 213.19 | 22.0 | 198.36 | -7.0 | 208.59 | 5.2 |
| Oilseeds** | 251.86 | 69.7 | 243.54 | -3.3 | 279.79 | 14.9 |

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cotton# | 137.29 | 59.2 | 164.29 | 19.7 | 184.99 | 12.6 |
| Jute$ | 102.52 | -0.2 | 93.99 | -8.3 | 99.70 | 6.1 |
| Mesta$ | 9.21 | -8.1 | 8.73 | -5.2 | 8.70 | -0.3 |
| Sugarcane** | 2338.61 | -18.6 | 2370.88 | 1.4 | 2811.72 | 18.6 |

* Million Tonnes
** Lakh Tonnes
# Lakh bales of 170 kg. each
$ Lakh bales of 180 kg. each
Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India.

**Fishery harbours in Kerala**

1955. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Kerala has submitted four separate projects and schemes for constructing fishery harbours at Thalai in Kannur district, Kasargod in Kasargod district, Chettuvai in Thrissur district and Cheruvathur in Kasargod district;

(b) if so, the details of each project and the financial implication of these projects;

(c) the decision of the Central Government to provide sanction for these schemes; and

(d) if sanctioned, the details of the expenses to be involved, and to what extent the Central assistance would be made available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Union Ministry of Agriculture has accorded approval to the proposal of Government of Kerala for construction of fishing harbour at Thalai in Kannur district amounting to Rs. 1925.74 lakhs under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme and the Central Government will bear 50% capital cost of the project.